

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 24-26 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows.

Claims 1-22 (Cancelled).

23. (Currently Amended) An underfloor lifting platform comprising:
two vertical beams at least one vertical beam liftable and lowerable in a pit;
at least one support arm comprising supports fixed to said two vertical beams ~~vertical~~
~~beam~~;
a shaft running in two stationary bearings, wherein lower ends of said two vertical beams
are fixedly connected to each other by a dimensionally stable transverse beam on which two
traction cables engage;
a prime mover comprising switching and control elements; and
a transmission between said prime mover and said two vertical beams ~~vertical beam~~,
wherein said transmission comprises at least one flexible traction cable, said cable being coupled
to a rotating member rotatably driven by said prime mover and said cable engages at a lower end
of the associated two vertical beams ~~vertical beam~~, wherein said rotating member is a drum for
winding and unwinding the associated traction cable, said drum being provided in an upper
section of said pit between guides.

Claims 24-33 (Cancelled).